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SPLITTABLE SUPPORT PLATE

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RESPONSE

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2005, Applicants submit the following:

The Office Action requires a supplemental reissue oath/declaration for new claims 55 and 56. Applicants have reviewed the claims and signed a supplemental reissue oath/declaration to satisfy the requirement. A copy of the signed Supplemental Reissue Oath/Declaration is attached.

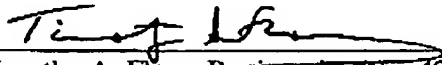
The Office Action requires an explanation of the support in the disclosure for the new claims 55 and 56. A separate statement of the support for added claims 55 and 56 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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**STATEMENT OF STATUS AND SUPPORT FOR CHANGES**  
**TO THE CLAIMS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.173(c)**

Claims 1-30 and 52-56 are pending in the above-identified reissue application. Claims 1-30 are identical to claims 1-30 of the above-referenced original issued patent, U.S. Patent No. 6,502,618. Claims 52-54 were previously added via the Preliminary Amendment and claims 55 and 56 were previously added via the Response to the First Office Action. The new claims are supported by the original application filed for U.S. Patent No. 6,502,618.

In particular, the support for each of the newly added claims 55 and 56 is set forth below. The reference numbers refer to the reference numbers of U.S. Patent No. 6,502,618 to indicate where the patent provides support for the limitations of the newly added claims. The support for new claims 52-54 was previously provided with the Preliminary Amendment.

55 (new): An apparatus for inflating a tire mounted on a rim comprising:

a reciprocal inflation head (68) moveable from a first position spaced from the tire to a second position engagable with a side wall of the tire for communicating pressurized fluid to inflate the tire on the rim, the head having at least two concentric seals (70,72) selectively